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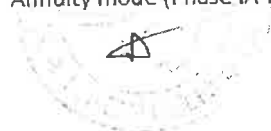
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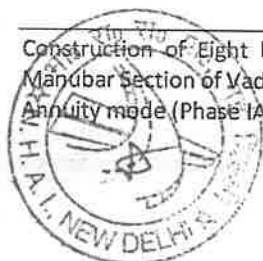
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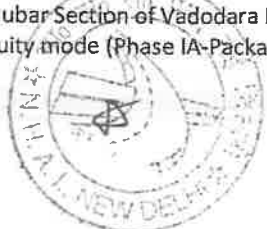
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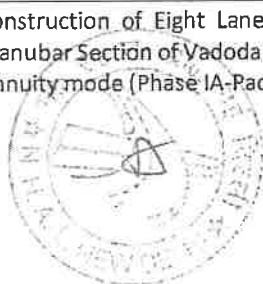
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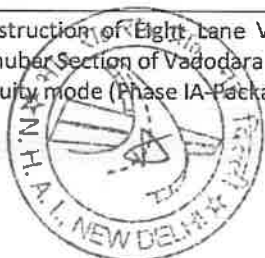
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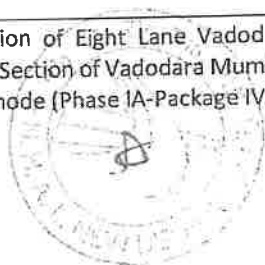
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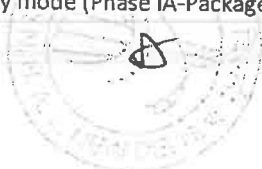
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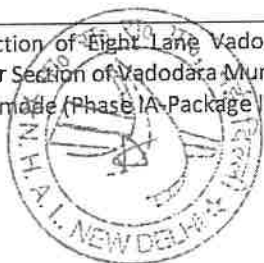
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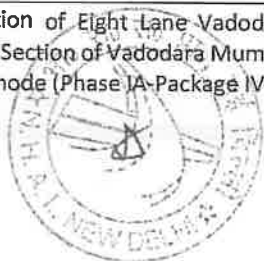
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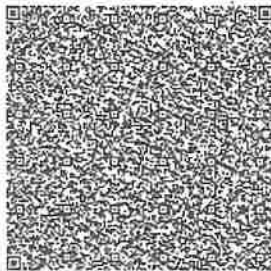
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CONCESSION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into on this the 11th day of May, 2018
BETWEEN

1 **THE NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA**, established under the National Highways Authority of India Act 1988, represented by its Chairman and having its principal offices at G-5 & 6, Sector 10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075 (hereinafter referred to as the "**Authority**" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns) of One Part

AND

2 **ASHOKA ANKLESHWAR MANUBAR EXPRESSWAY PVT LTD**, a company incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 with CIN U45500DL2018PTC332404 and having its registered office at 403, 4th Floor, City Centre, Plot No. 5, Sector - 12, Dwarka, New Delhi, India-110075, (hereinafter referred to as the "**Concessionaire**" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors and permitted assigns and substitutes) of the Other Part.

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WHEREAS:

- (A) The Government of India had entrusted to the Authority the development, maintenance and management of Vadodara Kim Expressway including the section from Km 279.000 to Km 292.000 (Ankleshwar to Manubar Section of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway) (Phase IA – Package IV) (approx. 13.000 km). The Authority had resolved to construct the Vadodara Kim Expressway from km 279.000 to km 292.000 (Ankleshwar to Manubar Section of Vadodara Mumbai Expressway) (Phase IA – Package IV) (approximately 13.000 km) in the State of Gujarat by Eight-Laning thereof (the “**Project**”) on design, build, operate and transfer (the “**DBOT Annuity**” or “**Hybrid Annuity**”) basis, which shall be partly financed by the Concessionaire who shall recover its investment and costs through payments to be made by the Authority, in accordance with the terms and conditions to be set forth in a concession agreement to be entered into.
- (B) The Authority had adopted a single stage two envelope bidding process and accordingly invited proposals by its Request for Proposal dated 10.01.2018 (the “**Request for Proposals**” or “**RFP**”) for qualification and short listing of bidders for construction, operation and maintenance of the above referred Project on Hybrid Annuity basis.
- (C) The Authority had prescribed the technical and commercial terms and conditions in the RFP, and invited bids comprising technical and financial bids from the bidders for undertaking the Project.
- (D) After evaluation of the bids received, the Authority had technically qualified certain bidders including, *inter alia*, the selected bidder namely Ashoka Concessions Limited and accepted the financial bid of the selected bidder and issued its Letter of Award No. NHAI/VME/Phase IA/HAM/ PkgIV/2018/115410 dated 28.03.2018 (hereinafter called the “**LOA**”) to the selected bidder requiring, *inter alia*, the execution of this Concession Agreement within 45 (forty five) days of the date of issue thereof.
- (E) The selected bidder has since promoted and incorporated the Concessionaire as a limited liability company under the Companies Act 2013, and has requested the Authority to accept the Concessionaire as the entity which shall undertake and perform the obligations and exercise the rights of the selected bidder under the LOA, including the obligation to enter into this Concession Agreement pursuant to the LOA for undertaking the Project.
- (F) By its letter ACL/VME/Pkg-IV/2018-19/4379 dated 13.04.2018 the Concessionaire has also joined in the said request of the selected bidder to the Authority to accept it as the entity which shall undertake and perform the obligations and exercise the rights of the selected bidder including the obligation to enter into this Concession Agreement pursuant to the LOA. The Concessionaire has further represented to the effect that it has been promoted by the selected bidder for the purposes hereof and has delivered to the Authority a legal opinion with respect to the authority of the Concessionaire to enter into this Concession Agreement and the enforceability of the provisions thereof.
- (G) The Authority has agreed to the said request of the selected bidder and the Concessionaire, and has accordingly agreed to enter into this Concession Agreement with the Concessionaire for implementation of the Project on Hybrid Annuity basis, subject to and on the terms and conditions set forth hereinafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the respective covenants and agreements set forth in this Concession Agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

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ARTICLE 1

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

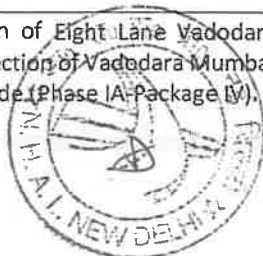
1.1 Definitions

The words and expressions beginning with capital letters and defined in this Agreement (including those in Article 42) shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning ascribed thereto herein, and the words and expressions defined in the Schedules and used therein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Schedules.

1.2 Interpretation

1.2.1 In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires,

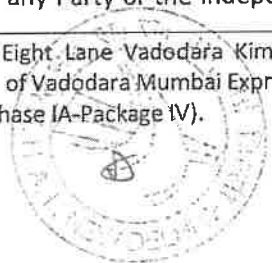
- (a) references to any legislation or any provision thereof shall include amendment or re-enactment or consolidation of such legislation or any provision thereof so far as such amendment or re-enactment or consolidation applies or is capable of applying to any transaction entered into hereunder;
- (b) references to laws of India or Indian law or regulation having the force of law shall include the laws, acts, ordinances, rules, regulations, bye laws or notifications which have the force of law in the territory of India and as from time to time may be amended, modified, supplemented, extended or re-enacted;
- (c) references to a **"person"** and words denoting a natural person shall be construed as a reference to any individual, firm, company, corporation, society, trust, government, state or agency of a state or any association or partnership (whether or not having separate legal personality) of two or more of the above and shall include successors and assigns;
- (d) the table of contents, headings or sub-headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be used in, and shall not affect, the construction or interpretation of this Agreement;
- (e) the words **"include"** and **"including"** are to be construed without limitation and shall be deemed to be followed by **"without limitation"** or **"but not limited to"** whether or not they are followed by such phrases;
- (f) references to **"construction"** or **"building"** include, unless the context otherwise requires, investigation, design, engineering, procurement, delivery, transportation, installation, processing, fabrication, testing, commissioning and other activities incidental to the construction, and **"construct"** or **"build"** shall be construed accordingly;
- (g) references to **"development"** include, unless the context otherwise requires, construction, renovation, refurbishing, augmentation, upgradation and other activities incidental thereto, and **"develop"** shall be construed accordingly;



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- (h) any reference to any period of time shall mean a reference to that according to Indian Standard Time;
- (i) any reference to day shall mean a reference to a calendar day;
- (j) Reference to a “**business day**” shall be construed as reference to a day (other than a Sunday) on which banks in the State are generally open for business;
- (k) any reference to month shall mean a reference to a calendar month as per the Gregorian calendar;
- (l) references to any date, period or Project Milestone shall mean and include such date, period or Project Milestone as may be extended pursuant to this Agreement;
- (m) any reference to any period commencing “**from**” a specified day or date and “**till**” or “**until**” a specified day or date shall include both such days or dates; provided that if the last day of any period computed under this Agreement is not a business day, then the period shall run until the end of the next business day;
- (n) the words importing singular shall include plural and vice versa;
- (o) References to any gender shall include the other and the neutral gender;
- (p) “**lakh**” means a hundred thousand (100,000) and “**crore**” means ten million (10,000,000);
- (q) “**Indebtedness**” shall be construed so as to include any obligation (whether incurred as principal or surety) for the payment or repayment of money, whether present or future, actual or contingent;
- (r) references to the “**winding-up**”, “**dissolution**”, “**insolvency**”, or “**reorganisation**” of a company or corporation shall be construed so as to include any equivalent or analogous proceedings under the law of the jurisdiction in which such company or corporation is incorporated or any jurisdiction in which such company or corporation carries on business including the seeking of liquidation, winding-up, reorganisation, dissolution, arrangement, protection or relief of debtors;
- (s) save and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any reference, at any time, to any agreement, deed, instrument, license or document of any description shall be construed as reference to that agreement, deed, instrument, license or other document as amended, varied, supplemented, modified or suspended at the time of such reference; provided that this Sub-clause (s) shall not operate so as to increase liabilities or obligations of the Authority hereunder or pursuant hereto in any manner whatsoever;
- (t) any agreement, consent, approval, authorization, notice, communication, information or report required under or pursuant to this Agreement from or by any Party or the Independent Engineer shall be valid and effective only if it is in

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writing under the hand of a duly authorized representative of such Party or the Independent Engineer, as the case may be, in this behalf and not otherwise;

- (u) the Schedules and Recitals to this Agreement and the Request for Proposals ("RFP") forms an integral part of this Agreement and will be in full force and effect as though they were expressly set out in the body of this Agreement;
- (v) references to Recitals, Articles, Clauses, Sub-clauses, Provisos or Schedules in this Agreement shall, except where the context otherwise requires, mean references to Recitals, Articles, Clauses, Sub-clauses, Provisos and Schedules of or to this Agreement; reference to an Annex shall, subject to anything to the contrary specified therein, be construed as a reference to an Annex to the Schedule in which such reference occurs; and reference to a Paragraph shall, subject to anything to the contrary specified therein, be construed as a reference to a Paragraph of the Schedule or Annex, as the case may be, in which such reference appears;
- (w) the damages payable by either Party to the other of them, as set forth in this Agreement, whether on per diem basis or otherwise, are mutually agreed genuine pre-estimated loss and damage likely to be suffered and incurred by the Party entitled to receive the same and are not by way of penalty (the "Damages"); and
- (x) Time shall be of the essence in the performance of the Parties' respective obligations. If any time period specified herein is extended, such extended time shall also be of the essence.

1.2.2 Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement, any Documentation required to be provided or furnished by the Concessionaire to the Authority and/ or the Independent Engineer shall be provided free of cost and in three copies, and if the Authority and/or the Independent Engineer is required to return any such Documentation with their comments and/or approval, they shall be entitled to retain two copies thereof.

1.2.3 The rule of construction, if any, that a contract should be interpreted against the parties responsible for the drafting and preparation thereof, shall not apply.

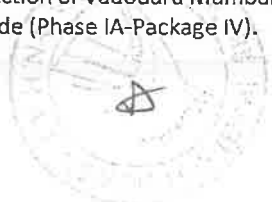
1.2.4 Any word or expression used in this Agreement shall, unless otherwise defined or construed in this Agreement, bear its ordinary English meaning and, for these purposes, the General Clauses Act 1897 shall not apply.

1.3 Measurements and arithmetic conventions

All measurements and calculations shall be in the metric system and calculations done to 2 (two) decimal places, with the third digit of 5 (five) or above being rounded up and below 5 (five) being rounded down.

1.4 Priority of agreements, clauses and schedules

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1.4.1 This Agreement, and all other agreements and documents forming part of or referred to in this agreement are to be taken as mutually explanatory and, unless otherwise expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, the priority of this Agreement and other documents and agreements forming part hereof or referred to herein shall, in the event of any conflict between them, be in the following order:

(a) this Agreement; and

(b) all other agreements and documents forming part hereof or referred to herein,

i.e. the Agreement at (a) above shall prevail over the agreements and documents at (b) above.

1.4.2 Subject to provisions of Clause 1.4.1, in case of ambiguities or discrepancies within this Agreement, the following shall apply:

(a) between two or more Clauses of this Agreement, the provisions of a specific Clause relevant to the issue under consideration shall prevail over those in other Clauses;

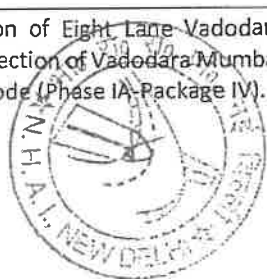
(b) between the Clauses of this Agreement and the Schedules, the Clauses shall prevail and between Schedules and Annexes, the Schedules shall prevail;

(c) between any two Schedules, the Schedule relevant to the issue shall prevail;

(d) between the written description on the Drawings and the Specifications and Standards, the latter shall prevail;

(e) between the dimension scaled from the Drawing and its specific written dimension, the latter shall prevail; and

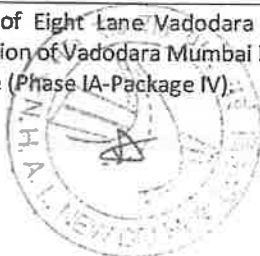
(f) between any value written in numerals and that in words, the latter shall prevail.



Part II

The Concession

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ARTICLE 2

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT

2.1 Scope of the Project

The scope of the Project (the **"Scope of the Project"**) shall mean and include, during the Concession Period:

- (a) construction of the Project on the Site set forth in Schedule-A and as specified in Schedule-B together with provision of Project Facilities as specified in Schedule-C, and in conformity with the Specifications and Standards set forth in Schedule-D;
- (b) operation and maintenance of the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
- (c) performance and fulfillment of all other obligations of the Concessionaire in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and matters incidental thereto or necessary for the performance of any or all of the obligations of the Concessionaire under this Agreement

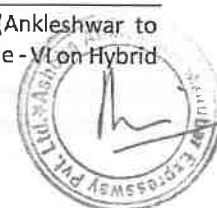
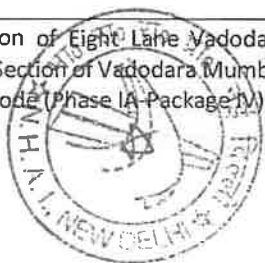


ARTICLE 3

GRANT OF CONCESSION

3.1 The Concession

- 3.1.1 Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits, the Authority hereby grants to the Concessionaire the concession set forth herein including the exclusive right, license and authority to construct, operate and maintain the Project (the "**Concession**") during the Construction Period of 910 (Nine Hundred and Ten) days and Operation Period of 15 (Fifteen) years commencing from COD, and the Concessionaire hereby accepts the Concession and agrees to implement the Project subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- 3.1.2 Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Concession hereby granted shall oblige or entitle (as the case may be) the Concessionaire to:
- (a) Right of Way, access and license to the Site for the purpose of and to the extent conferred by the provisions of this Agreement;
 - (b) finance and construct the Project;
 - (c) manage, operate and maintain the Project;
 - (d) perform and fulfill all of the Concessionaire's obligations under and in accordance with this Agreement;
 - (e) save as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, bear and pay all costs, expenses and charges in connection with or incidental to the performance of the obligations of the Concessionaire under this Agreement; and
 - (f) neither assign, transfer or sublet or create any lien or encumbrance on this Agreement, or the Concession hereby granted or on the whole or any part of the Project nor transfer, lease or part possession thereof, save and except as expressly permitted by this Agreement or the Substitution Agreement.



ARTICLE 4

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

4.1 Conditions Precedent

4.1.1 Save and except as expressly provided in Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 22, 28, 38 and 41, or unless the context otherwise requires, the respective rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction in full of the conditions precedent specified in this Clause 4.1 (the "**Conditions Precedent**").

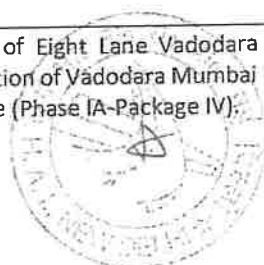
4.1.2 The Concessionaire may, upon providing the Performance Security to the Authority in accordance with Article 9, at any time after 30 (thirty) days from the date of this Agreement or on an earlier day acceptable to the Authority, by notice require the Authority to satisfy all of the Conditions Precedent set forth in this Clause 4.1.2 within a period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days thereafter. The Conditions Precedent required to be satisfied by the Authority shall be deemed to have been fulfilled when the Authority shall have:

- (a) procured for the Concessionaire the Right of Way to the Site in accordance with the provisions of Clauses 10.3.1 and 10.3.2;
- (b) procured all Applicable Permits relating to environmental protection, and conservation in respect land forming part of the Right of Way under Clause 10.3.1 and 10.3.2;
- (c) procured forest clearance for and in respect land forming part of the Right of Way under Clause 10.3.1 and 10.3.2, save and except permission for cutting trees; and
- (d) procured approval of the General Arrangement Drawings for the road over bridges/under bridges at level crossings on the Project.

Provided that the Authority shall be entitled to an additional period, not exceeding 90(ninety) days beyond the period of 150 days without being liable for payment of any damages, for fulfillment of the Conditions Precedent set forth in this Clause.

4.1.3 The Conditions Precedent required to be satisfied by the Concessionaire within a period of 150(one hundred and fifty) days from the date of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been fulfilled when the Concessionaire shall have:

- (a) provided Performance Security to the Authority along with the Additional Performance Security, if required in terms of Clause 9.1 and Clause 9.7 of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt it is clarified and agreed that the Concessionaire is required to provide the Performance Security and the Additional Performance Security, if required, within 30 days of signing of this Agreement;
- (b) executed and procured execution of the Escrow Agreement;
- (c) executed and procured execution of the Substitution Agreement;



- (d) procured all the Applicable Permits specified in Part-I of Schedule-E unconditionally or if subject to conditions, then all such conditions required to be fulfilled by the date specified therein shall have been satisfied in full and such Applicable Permits are in full force and effect;
- (e) executed the Financing Agreements and delivered to the Authority 3 (three) true copies thereof, duly attested by a Director of the Concessionaire;
- (f) delivered to the Authority 3 (three) true copies of the Financial Package and the Financial Model, duly attested by a Director of the Concessionaire, along with 3 (three) soft copies of the Financial Model in MS Excel version or any substitute thereof, which is acceptable to the Senior Lenders; and
- (g) delivered to the Authority confirmation of the correctness of the representations and warranties set forth in Sub-clauses (k), (l) and (m) of Clause 7.1 of this Agreement.

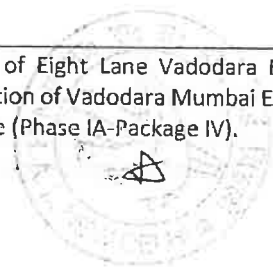
4.1.4 Each Party shall make all reasonable endeavours to satisfy the Conditions Precedent within the time stipulated and shall provide the other Party with such reasonable cooperation as may be required to assist that Party in satisfying the Conditions Precedent for which that Party is responsible. Subject only to payment of Damages, it is agreed between the Parties that the obligation to fulfill each parties' Conditions Precedent is an independent obligation of the respective Party.

4.1.5 The Parties shall notify each other in writing at least once a month on the progress made in satisfying the Conditions Precedent. Each Party shall promptly inform the other Party when any Condition Precedent for which it is responsible has been satisfied.

4.2 Damages for delay by the Authority

In the event that (i) the Authority does not procure fulfillment of any or all of the Conditions Precedent set forth in Clause 4.1.2 within the period specified in respect thereof, and (ii) the delay has not occurred as a result of breach of this Agreement by the Concessionaire or due to Force Majeure, the Authority shall pay to the Concessionaire Damages in an amount calculated at the rate of 0.2% (zero point two per cent) of the Performance Security for each day's delay until the fulfillment of such Conditions Precedent, subject to the maximum limit equal to the amount of the Bid Security and upon reaching such limit, the Concessionaire may, in its sole discretion terminate the Agreement. The Damages payable hereunder shall be the sole remedy available to the Concessionaire for delay by the Authority.

Provided further that in the event of delay by the Concessionaire in procuring fulfillment of the Conditions Precedent specified in Clause 4.1.3, no Damages shall be due or payable by the Authority under this Clause 4.2 until the date on which the Concessionaire shall have procured fulfillment of the Conditions Precedent specified in Clause 4.1.3.



4.3 Damages for delay by the Concessionaire

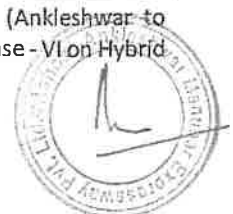
In the event that (i) the Concessionaire does not procure fulfillment of any or all of the Conditions Precedent set forth in Clause 4.1.3 within the period specified in respect thereof, and (ii) the delay has not occurred as a result of failure to fulfill the obligations under Clause 4.1.2 or other breach of this Agreement by the Authority, or due to Force Majeure, the Concessionaire shall pay to the Authority Damages in an amount calculated at the rate of 0.3% (zero point three per cent) of the Performance Security for each day's delay until the fulfillment of such Conditions Precedent. Provided, however, that the Damages payable hereunder shall be subject to the maximum limit equal to the amount of the Bid Security and upon reaching such limit, the Authority may, in its sole discretion and subject to the provisions of Clause 9.2, terminate the Agreement. Provided further that in the event of delay by the Authority in procuring fulfillment of the Conditions Precedent specified in Clause 4.1.2, no Damages shall be due or payable by the Concessionaire under this Clause 4.3 until the date on which the Authority shall have procured fulfillment of the Conditions Precedent specified in Clause 4.1.2.

4.4 Commencement of Concession Period

The date on which Financial Close is achieved and all the Conditions Precedent specified in Clause 4.1 are satisfied shall be the Appointed Date which shall be the date of commencement of the Concession Period. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that the Concessionaire may, upon occurrence of the Appointed Date hereunder, by notice convey the particulars thereof to the Authority, and shall thereupon be entitled to commence construction on the Project.

4.5 Deemed Termination upon delay

Without prejudice to the provisions of Clauses 4.2 and 4.3, and subject to the provisions of Clause 9.2, the Parties expressly agree that in the event the Appointed Date does not occur, for any reason whatsoever, before the 1st (first) anniversary of the date of this Agreement or the extended period provided in accordance with this Agreement, all rights, privileges, claims and entitlements of the Concessionaire under or arising out of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived by, and to have ceased with the concurrence of the Concessionaire, and the Concession Agreement shall be deemed to have been terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties. Provided, however, that in the event the non-occurrence of the Appointed Date is for reasons attributable to the Concessionaire, the Performance Security and the Additional Performance Security, if any, of the Concessionaire shall be encashed and appropriated by the Authority as Damages thereof.



ARTICLE 5

OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONCESSIONAIRE

5.1 Obligations of the Concessionaire

- 5.1.1 Subject to and on the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Concessionaire shall, at its own cost and expense, procure finance for and undertake the design, engineering, procurement, construction, operation and maintenance of the Project and observe, fulfill, comply with and perform all its obligations set out in this Agreement or arising hereunder.
- 5.1.2 The Concessionaire shall comply with all Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits (including renewals as required) in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 5.1.3 Save and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or Applicable Laws, as the case may be, the Concessionaire shall, in discharge of all its obligations under this Agreement, conform with and adhere to Good Industry Practice at all times.
- 5.1.4 The Concessionaire shall, at its own cost and expense, in addition to and not in derogation of its obligations elsewhere set out in this Agreement:
- (a) make, or cause to be made, necessary applications to the relevant Government Instrumentalities with such particulars and details as may be required for obtaining Applicable Permits, other than those set forth in Clause 4.1.2, and obtain and keep in force and effect such Applicable Permits in conformity with Applicable Laws;
 - (b) procure, as required, the appropriate proprietary rights, licenses, agreements and permissions for materials, methods, processes, know-how and systems used or incorporated into the Project;
 - (c) perform and fulfill its obligations under the Financing Agreements;
 - (d) make reasonable efforts to maintain harmony and good industrial relations among the personnel employed by it or its Contractors in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (e) upon written request from the Authority, make reasonable efforts to facilitate the acquisition of land and procuring of environmental and forest clearances required for the purposes of the Agreement;



- (f) ensure and procure that its Contractors comply with all Applicable Permits and Applicable Laws in the performance by them of any of the Concessionaire's obligations under this Agreement;
- (g) always act in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Agreement and not cause or fail to do any act, deed or thing, whether intentionally or otherwise, which may in any manner be violative of any of the provisions of this Agreement;
- (h) support, cooperate with and facilitate the Authority in the implementation and operation of the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
- (i) transfer the Project to the Authority upon Termination of this Agreement, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

5.2 Obligations relating to Project Agreements

- 5.2.1 It is expressly agreed that the Concessionaire shall, at all times, be responsible and liable for all its obligations under this Agreement notwithstanding anything contained in the Project Agreements or any other agreement, and no default under any Project Agreement or agreement shall excuse the Concessionaire from its obligations or liability hereunder.
- 5.2.2 The Concessionaire shall submit to the Authority the drafts of all Project Agreements, or any amendments or replacements thereto, for its review and comments, and the Authority shall have the right but not the obligation to undertake such review and provide its comments, if any, to the Concessionaire within 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of such drafts. Within 7 (seven) days of execution of any Project Agreement or amendment thereto, the Concessionaire shall submit to the Authority a true copy thereof, duly attested by a Director of the Concessionaire, for its record. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the review and comments hereunder shall be limited to ensuring compliance with the terms of this Agreement. It is further agreed that any failure or omission of the Authority to review and/ or comment hereunder shall not be construed or deemed as acceptance of any such agreement or document by the Authority. No review and/ or observation of the Authority and/ or its failure to review and/ or convey its observations on any document shall relieve the Concessionaire of its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement in any manner nor shall the Authority be liable for the same in any manner whatsoever.
- 5.2.3 The Concessionaire shall not make any addition, replacement or amendments to any of the Financing Agreements without the prior written consent of the Authority if such addition, replacement or amendment has, or may have, the effect of imposing or increasing any financial liability or obligation on the Authority, and in the event that any replacement or amendment is made without such consent, the Concessionaire shall not enforce such replacement or amendment nor permit enforcement thereof against the Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority acknowledges and agrees that it shall not unreasonably withhold its consent for restructuring or rescheduling of the debt of the

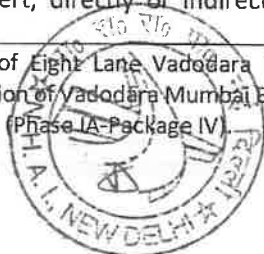


Concessionaire and shall respond to the request for consent no later than 30 days from the receipt of such request from the Concessionaire.

- 5.2.4 The Concessionaire shall procure that each of the Project Agreements contains provisions that entitle the Authority and / or Lenders Representative to step into such agreement, in its sole discretion, in substitution of the Concessionaire in the event of Termination or Suspension (the "Covenant"). Further, it is clarified that in case both the Authority and Lenders' Representative decide to exercise their right to step-in, the Authority shall have the sole right to step into the Project Agreements. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that in the event the Authority does not exercise such rights of substitution within a period not exceeding 90 (ninety) days from the Transfer Date, the Project Agreements shall be deemed to cease to be in force and effect on the Transfer Date without any liability whatsoever on the Authority and the Covenant shall expressly provide for such eventuality. The Concessionaire expressly agrees to include the Covenant in all its Project Agreements and undertakes that it shall, in respect of each of the Project Agreements, procure and deliver to the Authority an acknowledgment and undertaking, in a form acceptable to the Authority, from the counter party(ies) of each of the Project Agreements, where under such counter party(ies) shall acknowledge and accept the Covenant and undertake to be bound by the same and not to seek any relief or remedy whatsoever from the Authority in the event of Termination or Suspension.
- 5.2.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Concessionaire agrees and acknowledges that selection or replacement of the EPC Contractor and an O&M Contractor and execution of the EPC Contract and O&M Contract shall be subject to the prior approval of the Authority from national security and public interest perspective, the decision of the Authority in this behalf being final, conclusive and binding on the Concessionaire, and undertakes that it shall not give effect to any such selection or contract without prior approval of the Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that approval of the Authority hereunder shall be limited to national security and public interest perspective, and the Authority shall endeavor to convey its decision thereon expeditiously and no later than 30 days from the date of receipt of the proposal along with the draft agreement by the Authority. It is also agreed that the Authority shall not be liable in any manner on account of grant or otherwise of such approval and that such approval or denial thereof shall not in any manner absolve the Concessionaire or its Contractors from any liability or obligation under this Agreement.

5.3 Obligations relating to Change in Ownership

- 5.3.1 The Concessionaire shall not undertake or permit any Change in Ownership, except with the prior written approval of the Authority.
- 5.3.2 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Concessionaire agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) all acquisitions of Equity by an acquirer, either by himself or with any person acting in concert, directly or indirectly, including by transfer of the direct or indirect legal or



beneficial ownership or control of any Equity, in aggregate of 25% (twenty five per cent) or more of the total Equity of the Concessionaire; or

- (b) acquisition of any control directly or indirectly of the Board of Directors of the Concessionaire by any person either by himself or together with any person or persons acting in concert with him, shall constitute a Change in Ownership requiring prior approval of the Authority from national security and public interest perspective, the decision of the Authority in this behalf being final, conclusive and binding on the Concessionaire, and undertakes that it shall not give effect to any such acquisition of Equity or control of the Board of Directors of the Concessionaire without such prior approval of the Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that approval of the Authority hereunder shall be limited to national security and public interest perspective, and the Authority shall endeavor to convey its decision thereon expeditiously. It is also agreed that the Authority shall not be liable in any manner on account of grant or otherwise of such approval and that such approval or denial thereof shall not in any manner absolve the Concessionaire from any liability or obligation under this Agreement.

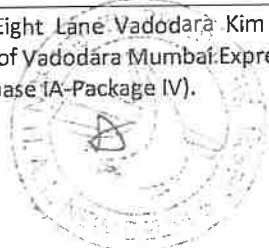
For the purposes of this Clause 5.3.2:

- (i) the expression "acquirer", "control" and "person acting in concert" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 2011 or any statutory re-enactment thereof as in force as on the date of acquisition of Equity, or the control of the Board of Directors, as the case may be, of the Concessionaire;
- (ii) the indirect transfer or control of legal or beneficial ownership of Equity shall mean transfer of the direct or indirect beneficial ownership or control of any company or companies whether in India or abroad which results in the acquirer acquiring control over the shares or voting rights of shares of the Concessionaire; and
- (iii) power to appoint, whether by contract or by virtue of control or acquisition of shares of any company holding directly or through one or more companies (whether situate in India or abroad) the Equity of the Concessionaire, not less than half of the directors on the Board of Directors of the Concessionaire or of any company, directly or indirectly whether situate in India or abroad, having ultimate control of 25% (twenty five per cent) or more of the Equity of the Concessionaire shall constitute acquisition of control, directly or indirectly, of the Board of Directors of the Concessionaire.

5.4 Obligations relating to employment of foreign nationals

The Concessionaire acknowledges, agrees and undertakes that employment of foreign personnel by the Concessionaire and/or its contractors and their subcontractors shall be subject to grant of requisite regulatory permits and approvals including employment/residential visas and work permits, if any required, and the obligation to apply for and obtain the same shall and will always be of the Concessionaire and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, refusal of or

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inability to obtain any such permits and approvals by the Concessionaire or any of its contractors or sub-contractors shall not constitute Force Majeure Event, and shall not in any manner excuse the Concessionaire from the performance and discharge of its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement.

5.5 Obligations relating to employment of trained personnel

The Concessionaire shall ensure that the personnel engaged by it in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement are at all times properly trained for their respective function

5.6 Facilities for differently abled and elderly persons

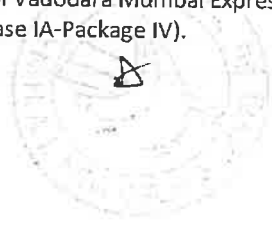
The Concessionaire shall, in conformity with the guidelines issued from time to time by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, or a substitute thereof, procure a barrier free environment for the differently abled and for elderly persons using the Project.

5.7 Branding of Project

The Project or any part thereof shall not be branded in any manner to advertise, display or reflect the name or identity of the Concessionaire or its shareholders. The Concessionaire undertakes that it shall not, in any manner, use the name or entity of the Project to advertise or display its own identity, brand equity or business interests, including those of its shareholders, save and except as may be necessary in the normal course of business. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the Concessionaire may display its own name at a spot where other public notices are displayed for the Users. It is further agreed that the Project shall be known, promoted, displayed and advertised by the name of *Vadodara Kim Expressway*.

5.8 Sole purpose of the Concessionaire

The Concessionaire having been set up for the sole purpose of exercising the rights and observing and performing its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement, the Concessionaire or any of its subsidiaries shall not, except with the previous written consent of the Authority, be or become directly or indirectly engaged, concerned or interested in any business other than as envisaged herein.



ARTICLE 6

OBLIGATIONS OF THE AUTHORITY

6.1 Obligations of the Authority

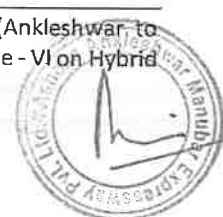
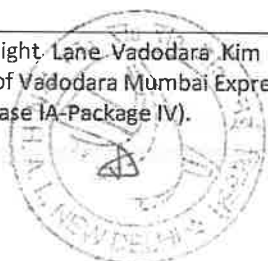
- 6.1.1 The Authority shall, at its own cost and expense undertake, comply with and perform all its obligations set out in this Agreement or arising hereunder.
- 6.1.2 The Authority agrees to provide support to the Concessionaire and undertakes to observe, comply with and perform, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and Applicable Laws, the following
- (a) upon written request from the Concessionaire, and subject to the Concessionaire complying with Applicable Laws, provide reasonable support and assistance to the Concessionaire in procuring Applicable Permits required from any Government Instrumentality for implementation and operation of the Project;
 - (b) upon written request from the Concessionaire, provide reasonable assistance to the Concessionaire in obtaining access to all necessary infrastructure facilities and utilities, including water and electricity at rates and on terms no less favorable to the Concessionaire than those generally available to commercial customers receiving substantially equivalent services;
 - (c) procure that no barriers are erected or placed on or about the Project by any Government Instrumentality or persons claiming through or under it, except for reasons of Emergency, national security or law and order;
 - (d) Deleted
 - (e) Subject to and in accordance with Applicable Laws, grant to the Concessionaire the authority to regulate use of the Project;
 - (f) Assist the Concessionaire in procuring police assistance for regulation of Users, removal of trespassers and security on or at the Project;
 - (g) Not do or omit to do any act, deed or thing which may in any manner is violating of any of the provisions of this Agreement;
 - (h) support, cooperate with and facilitate the Concessionaire in the implementation and operation of the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
 - (i) upon written request from the Concessionaire and subject to the provisions of Clause 5.4, provide reasonable assistance to the Concessionaire and any expatriate personnel of the Concessionaire or its Contractors to obtain applicable visas and work permits for discharging their respective obligations under this Agreement and the Project Agreements;



- (j) undertake rehabilitation and resettlement of persons affected by construction of the Project and bear all costs and expense in respect thereof, save and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement; and
- (k) subject to the Concessionaire complying with Applicable Laws, provide reasonable support and assistance to the Concessionaire in procuring approvals, other than approval of the General Approval Drawings of the Railway authorities for construction of such road over bridges/under bridges.

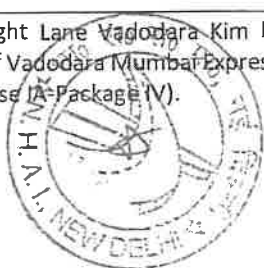
6.2 Maintenance obligations prior to Appointed Date

- 6.2.1 During the Development Period, the Concessionaire shall maintain the existing Project Highway, in such a manner so as to ensure that the road is in pothole free condition and also to ensure that the quality of service and safety are maintained and in the event of any material deterioration or damage other than normal wear and tear, the Concessionaire shall undertake repair thereof. It is deemed that the Concessionaire has made necessary provisions for inclusion of costs related to maintenance during the Development Period in its Bid. Provided that in case Appointed Date is not achieved and the Concession Agreement is terminated prior to achievement of Appointed Date, the Concessionaire shall be reimbursed the cost of maintenance during Development Period by the Authority after due certification by the Authorized Representative of the Authority. For the purpose of such reimbursement, the lump sum per kilometer rate of reimbursement for a period of 1 (one) year would be Rs.7.04 (Rupees Seven Lakh and Four Thousand only) and shall be paid on a pro-rata basis for the period concerned. For the avoidance of doubt, the Concessionaire would be reimbursed the cost of maintenance only in case of termination prior to Appointed Date and only if it maintains the Project as envisaged in this Clause 6.2.1.
- 6.2.2 In case of failure of the Concessionaire to undertake maintenance or repair of the Project, the Authority shall undertake maintenance or repair of the Project Highway at the cost and expense of the Concessionaire and recover the said cost as determined by the Independent Engineer from the Bid Security or the Performance security, as the case may be, submitted by the Concessionaire. For the avoidance of doubt, the Concessionaire shall undertake repairs only for ensuring safe operation of the Project Highway and in the event of excessive deterioration or damage caused due to unforeseen events such as floods or torrential rain the Authority shall undertake special repairs at its own cost and expense.
- 6.2.3 During the Development Period, the Concessionaire shall protect the Project Highway from any and all occupations, encroachments or Encumbrances, and shall not place or create nor permit any Contractor or other person claiming through or under the Concessionaire to place or create any Encumbrance or security interest over all or any part of the Project Highway or under this Agreement, save and except as otherwise expressly set forth in this Agreement. Further, the Concessionaire shall perform its obligations in a manner that Project Highway or an alternative thereof are open to traffic at all times during the Development Period.



6.3 Obligations relating to refinancing

Upon request made by the Concessionaire to this effect, the Authority shall, in conformity with any regulations or guidelines that may be notified by the Government or the Reserve Bank of India, as the case may be, permit and enable the Concessionaire to secure refinancing on such terms as may be agreed upon between the Concessionaire and the entity providing such refinancing; provided, however, that the refinancing hereunder shall always be subject to the prior consent of the Authority, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Authority shall endeavor to convey its decision on such request of the Concessionaire within 30 days of receipt of the proposal by the Authority.



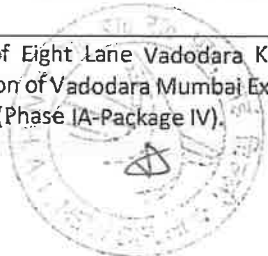
ARTICLE 7

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

7.1 Representations and warranties of the Concessionaire

The Concessionaire represents and warrants to the Authority that:

- (a) It is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of India, and has full power and authority to execute and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby;
- (b) it has taken all necessary corporate and other actions under Applicable Laws to authorise the execution and delivery of this Agreement and to validly exercise its rights and perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (c) the selected bidder and its Associates have the financial standing and resources to fund the required Equity and to raise the debt necessary for undertaking and implementing the Project in accordance with this Agreement;
- (d) this Agreement constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof, and its obligations under this Agreement -will be legally valid, binding and enforceable obligations against it in accordance with the terms hereof;
- (e) it is subject to the laws of India, and hereby expressly and irrevocably waives any immunity in any jurisdiction in respect of this Agreement or matters arising hereunder including any obligation, liability or responsibility hereunder;
- (f) The information furnished in the Bid and as updated on or before the date of this Agreement is true and accurate in all respects as on the date of this Agreement;
- (g) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement will not conflict with, result in the breach of, constitute a default under, or accelerate performance required by any of the terms of its Memorandum and Articles of Association or any Applicable Laws or any covenant, contract, agreement, arrangement, understanding, decree or order to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected;
- (h) there are no actions, suits, proceedings, or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it at law or in equity before any court or before any other judicial, quasi-judicial or other authority, the outcome of which may result in the breach of this Agreement or which individually or in the aggregate may result in any material impairment of its ability to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement;
- (i) it has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or Government Instrumentality which may result



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in any material adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and no fact or circumstance exists which may give rise to such proceedings that would adversely affect the performance of its obligations under this Agreement;

- (j) it has complied with Applicable Laws in all material respects and has not been subject to any fines, penalties, injunctive relief or any other civil or criminal liabilities which in the aggregate have or may have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (k) it shall at no time undertake or permit any Change in Ownership except in accordance with the provisions of Clause 5.3 and that the selected bidder, together with its Associates, hold not less than 51% (fifty-one percent) of its issued and paid up Equity as on the date of this Agreement;

Provided further that any such request made under Clause 7.1(k) and / or Article 42, at the option of the Authority, may be required to be accompanied by a suitable no objection letter from Senior Lenders

- (l) the selected bidder is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or registration, as the case may be, and has requested the Authority to enter into this Agreement with the Concessionaire pursuant to the Letter of Award, and has agreed to and unconditionally accepted the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;
- (m) all its rights and interests in the Project shall pass to and vest in the Authority on the Transfer Date free and clear of all liens, claims and Encumbrances, without any further act or deed on its part or that of the Authority, and that none of the Project Assets shall be acquired by it Subject to any agreement under which a security interest or other lien or Encumbrance is retained by any person, save and except as expressly provided in this Agreement;
- (n) no representation or warranty by it contained herein or in any other document furnished by it to the Authority or to any Government Instrumentality in relation to Applicable Permits contains or will contain any untrue or misleading statement of material fact or omits or will omit to state a material fact necessary to make such representation or warranty not misleading;
- (o) no sums, in cash or kind, have been paid or will be paid, by it or on its behalf, to any person by way of fees, commission or otherwise for securing the Concession or entering into this Agreement or for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of the Authority in connection therewith;
- (p) all information provided by the selected bidder in response to the Request for Proposals or otherwise, is to the best of its knowledge and belief, true and accurate in all material respects; and

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- (q) All undertakings and obligations of the Concessionaire arising from the Request for Proposals or otherwise shall be binding on the Concessionaire as if they form part of this Agreement.

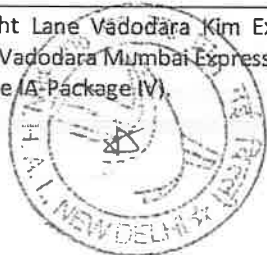
7.2 Representations and warranties of the Authority

The Authority represents and warrants to the Concessionaire that:

- (a) it has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated herein and that it has taken all actions necessary to execute this Agreement, exercise its rights and perform its obligations, under this Agreement;
- (b) It has taken all necessary actions under Applicable Laws to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement;
- (c) It has the financial standing and capacity to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (d) This Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof;
- (e) it has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or any decree of any court or any legally binding order of any Government Instrumentality which may result in any material adverse effect on the Authority's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (f) It has complied with Applicable Laws in all material respects;
- (g) It has the right, power and authority to manage and operate the Project; and
- (h) It shall procure good and valid right to the Site, and has power and authority to grant a license in respect thereto to the Concessionaire.

7.3 Disclosure

In the event that any occurrence or circumstance comes to the attention of either Party that renders any of its aforesaid representations or warranties untrue or incorrect, such Party shall immediately notify the other Party of the same. Such notification shall not have the effect of remedying any breach of the representation or warranty that has been found to be untrue or incorrect nor shall it adversely affect or waive any right, remedy or obligation of either Party under this Agreement.



ARTICLE 8

DISCLAIMER

8.1 Disclaimer

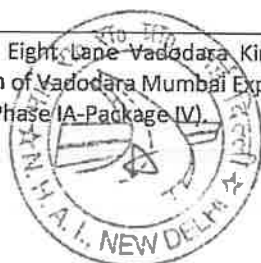
- 8.1.1 The Concessionaire acknowledges that prior to the execution of this Agreement, the Concessionaire has, after a complete and careful examination, made an independent evaluation of the Request for Proposals, Scope of the Project, Specifications and Standards, Site, existing structures, local conditions, physical qualities of ground, subsoil and geology, and all information provided by the Authority or obtained, procured or gathered otherwise, and has determined to its satisfaction the accuracy or otherwise thereof and the nature and extent of difficulties, risks and hazards as are likely to arise or may be faced by it in the course of performance of its obligations hereunder. The Authority makes no representation whatsoever, express, implicit or otherwise, regarding the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and/or completeness of any assessment, assumptions, statement or information provided by it and the Concessionaire confirms that it shall have no claim whatsoever against the Authority in this regard.
- 8.1.2 The Concessionaire acknowledges and hereby accepts the risk of inadequacy, mistake or error in or relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 8.1.1 above and hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Authority shall not be liable for the same in any manner whatsoever to the Concessionaire, Associates or any person claiming through or under any of them.
- 8.1.3 The Parties agree that any mistake or error in or relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 8.1.1 above shall not vitiate this Agreement, or render it voidable.
- 8.1.4 In the event that either Party becomes aware of any mistake or error relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 8.1.1 above, that Party shall immediately notify the other Party, specifying the mistake or error; provided, however, that a failure on part of the Authority to give any notice pursuant to this Clause 8.1.4 shall not prejudice the disclaimer of the Authority contained in Clause 8.1.1 and shall not in any manner shift to the Authority any risks assumed by the Concessionaire pursuant to this Agreement.
- 8.1.5 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all risks relating to the Project shall be borne by the Concessionaire and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner for such risks or the consequences thereof.



Part III

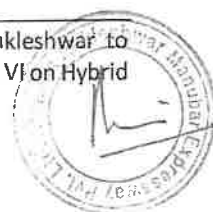
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ARTICLE 9

PERFORMANCE SECURITY

9.1 Performance Security

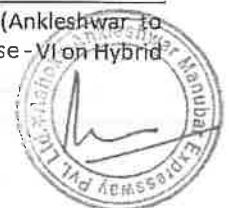
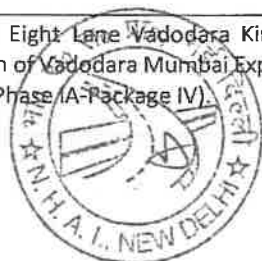
9.1.1 The Concessionaire shall, for the performance of its obligations hereunder, provide to the Authority no later than 30(thirty) days from the date of this Agreement, an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank for a sum equivalent to **Rs. 84.35 Crore (Rupees Eighty Four Crore and Thirty Five Lakh only)** in the form set forth in Schedule-F (the "**Performance Security**"). Until such time the Performance Security is provided by the Concessionaire pursuant hereto and the same comes into effect, the Bid Security shall remain in force and effect, and upon such provision of the Performance Security pursuant hereto, the Authority shall release the Bid Security to the Concessionaire.

9.1.2 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in the event Performance Security is not provided by the Concessionaire within a period of 30(thirty) days from the date of this Agreement, the Authority may encash the Bid Security and appropriate the proceeds thereof as Damages, and thereupon all rights, privileges, claims and entitlements of the Concessionaire under or arising out of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived by, and to have ceased with the concurrence of the Concessionaire, and this Agreement shall be deemed to have been terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties.

9.2 Appropriation of Performance Security

Upon occurrence of a Concessionaire Default or failure to meet any Condition Precedent, the Authority shall, without prejudice to its other rights and remedies hereunder or in law, be entitled to encash and appropriate from the Performance Security the amounts due to it for and in respect of such Concessionaire Default or for failure to meet any Condition Precedent. Upon such encashment and appropriation from the Performance Security, the Concessionaire shall, within 15 (fifteen) days thereof, replenish, in case of partial appropriation, to the original level of the Performance Security, and in case of appropriation of the entire Performance Security provide a fresh Performance Security, as the case may be, failing which the Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 31.

Provided that upon appropriation on account of Concessionaire's Default the Concessionaire shall replenish the Performance Security and upon such replenishment or furnishing of a fresh Performance Security, as the case may be, the Concessionaire shall be entitled to an additional Cure Period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days for remedying the Concessionaire Default, save and except as provided in Clause 4.5 of this Agreement, and in the event of the Concessionaire not curing its default within such Cure Period, the Authority shall be entitled to encash and appropriate such Performance Security as Damages, and to terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 31.



9.3 Release of Performance Security

The Performance Security shall remain in force and effect for a period of one year from the Appointed Date, but shall be released earlier upon the Concessionaire expending on Project construction an aggregate sum that is not less than 30% (thirty per cent) of the Bid Project Cost; provided, however, that the Performance Security shall not be released and shall be kept alive by the Concessionaire if the Concessionaire is in breach of this Agreement. Upon request made by the Concessionaire for release of the Performance Security along with the particulars which establish satisfaction of the requirements specified in this Clause 9.3, the Authority shall release the Performance Security forthwith.

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9.6 References to Performance Security

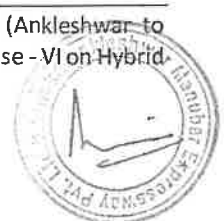
References to Performance Security occurring in this Agreement for and in respect of any period prior to the delivery of the Performance Security by the Concessionaire to the Authority, or in respect of any period subsequent to the expiry or release thereof, as the case may be, shall be construed solely for the purposes of calculating the amount of Damages payable by the Concessionaire.

9.7 Additional Performance Security

The Concessionaire shall along with the Performance Security provide to the Authority an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank for a sum equivalent to Rs. Nil (Rupees Nil) in the form set forth in Schedule-F (the "Additional Performance Security"), to be modified, mutatis mutandis, for this purpose as security to the Authority if the Bid Project Cost of the Selected Bidder is lower by more than 10% with respect to the Estimated Project Cost. The requirement of submitting the Additional Performance Security shall be a Condition Precedent. Failure to maintain the Additional Performance Security shall be treated as Concessionaire Default as per Clause 31.1.1.

9.8 Appropriation and Release of Additional Performance Security

Notwithstanding anything contrary contained in this Agreement, if this Agreement is terminated, except for Authority Default or due to the Force Majeure, prior to achievement of the III (third) Project Milestone, the Authority shall have the right to encash the Additional Performance Security in addition to the Performance Security. However, the Additional Performance Security shall be released upon achievement of Project Milestone – III as defined in Schedule G and shall be released immediately and no later than 30 (thirty) days from the certification of achievement of Project Milestone- III.



ARTICLE 10

RIGHT OF WAY

10.1 The Site

The site of the Project shall comprise the real estate described in Schedule-A and in respect of which the Right of Way shall be provided and granted by the Authority to the Concessionaire as a licensee under and in accordance with this Agreement (the "Site"). For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby acknowledged and agreed that references to the Site shall be construed as references to the real estate required for the Project as set forth in Schedule-A.

10.2 License, Access and Right of Way

- 10.2.1 The Authority hereby grants to the Concessionaire access to the Site for carrying out any surveys, investigations and soil tests that the Concessionaire may deem necessary during the Development Period, it being expressly agreed and understood that the Authority shall have no liability whatsoever in respect of survey, investigations and tests carried out or work undertaken by the Concessionaire on or about the Site pursuant hereto in the event of Termination or otherwise.
- 10.2.2 In consideration of the Project, this Agreement and the covenants and warranties on the part of the Concessionaire herein contained, the Authority, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein, hereby grants to the Concessionaire, commencing from the Appointed Date, leave and license rights in respect of all the land (along with any buildings, constructions or immovable assets, if any, thereon) comprising the Site which is described, delineated and shown in Schedule-A hereto (the "Licensed Premises"), on an "as is where is" basis, free of any Encumbrances, to develop, operate and maintain the said Licensed Premises, together with all and singular rights, liberties, privileges, easements and appurtenances whatsoever to the said Licensed Premises, hereditaments or premises or any part thereof belonging to or in any way appurtenant thereto or enjoyed therewith, for the duration of the Concession Period and, for the purposes permitted under this Agreement, and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- 10.2.3 The license, access and right of way granted by this Agreement to the Concessionaire shall always be subject to existing rights of way and the Concessionaire shall perform its obligations in a manner that the Project Highway or an alternative thereof are open to traffic at all times during the Construction Period.
- 10.2.4 It is expressly agreed that the license granted hereunder shall terminate automatically and forthwith, without the need for any action to be taken by the Authority to terminate the license, upon the Termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that notwithstanding any temporary or permanent structures erected on the Site by the Concessionaire or its sub-licensees, the



license in respect of the Site shall automatically terminate, without any further act of the Parties, upon Termination of this Agreement.

- 10.2.5 The Concessionaire hereby irrevocably appoints the Authority (acting directly or through a nominee) to be its true and lawful attorney, to execute and sign in the name of the Concessionaire a transfer or surrender of the license granted hereunder at any time after the Concession Period has expired or has been terminated earlier in terms hereof, a sufficient proof of which will be the declaration of any duly authorized officer of the Authority, and the Concessionaire consents to it being registered for this purpose.
- 10.2.6 It is expressly agreed that trees on the Site are property of the Authority except that the Concessionaire shall be entitled to exercise usufructory rights thereon during the Concession Period.

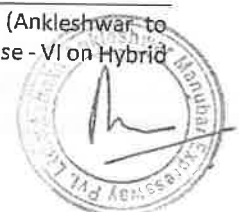
10.3 Procurement of the Site

- 10.3.1 Pursuant to the notice specified in Clause 4.1.2, the Authority Representative and the Concessionaire shall, on a mutually agreed date and time, inspect the Site and prepare a memorandum containing an inventory of the Site including the vacant and unencumbered land, buildings, structures, road works, trees and any other immovable property on or attached to the Site. Such memorandum shall have appended thereto an appendix (the "Appendix") specifying in reasonable detail those parts of the Site to which vacant access and Right of Way has not been granted to the Concessionaire. Signing of the memorandum, in 2 (two) counterparts (each of which shall constitute an original), by the authorized representatives of the Parties shall, subject to the provisions of Clause 10.2.2, be deemed to constitute a valid license and Right of Way to the Concessionaire for free and unrestricted use and development of the vacant and unencumbered Site during the Concession Period under and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and for no other purpose whatsoever. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that valid license and Right of Way with respect to the parts of the Site as set forth in the Appendix shall be deemed to have been granted to the Concessionaire upon vacant access thereto being provided by the Authority to the Concessionaire.
- 10.3.2 Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 10.3.1, the Parties hereto agree that on or prior to the Appointed Date, the Authority shall have granted vacant access and Right of Way such that the Appendix shall not include land which shall in any manner prevent the Concessionaire from undertaking construction of the Project to the extent of at least 80% (eighty per cent) of the length thereof, and in the event Financial Close is delayed on account of delay in grant of such vacant access and Right of Way, the Authority shall be liable to payment of Damages solely under the provisions of Clause 4.2. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority acknowledges and agrees that the Appendix shall not include any land which may prevent the construction of any critical element of the Project without which the Completion Certificate or Provisional Certificate may not be granted. The Authority further acknowledges and agrees that prior to the Appointed Date, it shall have procured issuance of the statutory notification under Applicable Laws for vesting of all land comprising the Project in the Government and has taken possession of at least 80%



(eighty per cent) of the length thereof, save and except stray plots of land which the Parties mutually agree to exclude from such vesting prior to the Appointed Date. The Parties also acknowledge and agree that the conditions specified in this Clause 10.3.2 shall not be modified or waived by either Party.

- 10.3.3 On and after signing the memorandum referred to in Clause 10.3.1, and until the Transfer Date, the Concessionaire shall maintain a round-the-clock vigil over the Site and shall ensure and procure that no encroachment thereon takes place, and in the event of any encroachment or occupation on any part thereof, the Concessionaire shall report such encroachment or occupation forthwith to the Authority and undertake its removal at its cost and expenses.
- 10.3.4 The Authority shall make best efforts to procure and grant, no later than 90 (ninety) days from the Appointed Date, the Right of Way to the Concessionaire in respect of all land included in the Appendix, and in the event of delay for any reason other than Force Majeure or breach of this Agreement by the Concessionaire, it shall pay to the Concessionaire Damages in a sum calculated at the rate of Re. 1 (Rupee one) per day for every 10 (ten) square meters or part thereof, commencing from the 91st (ninety first) day of the Appointed Date and until such Right of Way is procured or 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from the Appointed Date whichever is earlier. The Damages payable in terms of this clause shall be the sole remedy available to the Concessionaire and the Authority shall not be liable for any consequential loss or damage to the Concessionaire. In the event, the Authority is unable to provide the remaining Site within 180 (one hundred and eighty days) from the Appointed Date, the remaining Site of the Project Highway shall be removed from the scope of the work under the provision of Change of Scope.
- 10.3.5 Upon receiving Right of Way in respect of any land included in the Appendix, the Concessionaire shall complete the Construction Works thereon within a reasonable period to be determined by the Independent Engineer in accordance with Good Industry Practice; provided that the issue of Provisional Certificate shall not be affected or delayed on account of vacant access to any part of the Site not being granted to the Concessionaire or any construction on such part of the Site remaining incomplete on the date of Tests on account of the delay or denial of such access thereto. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that Construction Works on all lands for which Right of Way is granted within 182 (One Hundred and Eighty Two) days of the Appointed Date shall be completed on or before the Scheduled Completion Date. It is further agreed that the obligation of the Concessionaire to complete the affected Construction Works shall subsist so long as the Authority continues to pay the Damages specified herein, and upon the Authority ceasing to pay such Damages after giving 60 (sixty) days' notice thereof to the Concessionaire, the obligation of the Concessionaire to complete such works on such part of the Site shall cease forthwith. It is also expressly agreed that completion of the respective Construction Works within the time determined by the Independent Engineer hereunder shall be deemed to be Project Milestones for the purposes of levy and recovery of Damages under and in accordance with the provisions of Clause 12.3.2.



10.3.6 The Authority shall procure the additional land required for construction of works specified in Change of Scope Order issued under Article 16, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and upon procurement thereof, such land shall form part of the Site. In case of any additional land required for Toll Plazas, Traffic Aid Posts, Medical Aid Posts, under passes and over passes or for construction of works specified in Change of Scope Order issued under Article 16, in accordance with this Agreement and upon procurement, such land shall form part of the Site; provided also that the land to be acquired by the Authority hereunder as a part of the Site shall be deemed to be included in the Appendix referred to in this Clause 10.3 and dealt with in accordance with the provisions thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the minimum area of land to be acquired for the Toll Plaza and approach roads thereof shall conform to the provisions of Schedule - B and Schedule - C.

10.3.7 The Parties expressly agree that the obligation to provide land for 80% (eighty per cent) of the Site shall mean and imply provision of land that shall enable the Concessionaire to undertake construction on at least 80% (eighty per cent) of the length of the Project.

10.4 Site to be free from Encumbrances

Subject to the provisions of Clause 10.3, the Site shall be made available by the Authority to the Concessionaire pursuant hereto free from all Encumbrances and occupations and without the Concessionaire being required to make any payment to the Authority on account of any costs, compensation, expenses and charges for the acquisition and use of such Site for the duration of the Concession Period, except insofar as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that existing rights of way, easements, privileges, liberties and appurtenances to the Licensed Premises shall not be deemed to be Encumbrances. It is further agreed that the Concessionaire accepts and undertakes to bear any and all risks arising out of the inadequacy or physical condition of the Site.

10.5 Protection of Site from Encumbrances

During the Concession Period, the Concessionaire shall protect the Site from any and all occupations, encroachments or Encumbrances, and shall not place or create nor permit any Contractor or other person claiming through or under the Concessionaire to place or create any Encumbrance or security interest over all or any part of the Site or the Project Assets, or on any rights of the Concessionaire therein or under this Agreement, save and except as otherwise expressly set forth in this Agreement.

10.6 Special/temporary right of way

The Concessionaire shall bear all costs and charges for any special or temporary right of way required by it in connection with access to the Site. The Concessionaire shall obtain at its cost such facilities on or outside the Site as may be required by it for the purposes of the Project and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

10.7 Access to the Authority and Independent Engineer

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The license, right of way and right to the Site granted to the Concessionaire hereunder shall always be subject to the right of access of the Authority and the Independent Engineer and their employees and agents for inspection, viewing and exercise of their rights and performance of their obligations under this Agreement.

10.8 Geological and archaeological finds

It is expressly agreed that mining, geological or archaeological rights do not form part of the license granted to the Concessionaire under this Agreement and the Concessionaire hereby acknowledges that it shall not have any mining rights or interest in the underlying minerals, fossils, antiquities, structures or other remnants or things either of particular geological or archaeological interest and that such rights, interest and property on or under the Site shall vest in and belong to the Authority or the concerned Government Instrumentality. The Concessionaire shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent its workmen or any other person from removing or damaging such interest or property and shall inform the Authority forthwith of the discovery thereof and comply with such instructions as the Authority or the concerned Government Instrumentality may reasonably give for the removal of such property. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that any reasonable expenses incurred by the Concessionaire hereunder shall be reimbursed by the Authority. It is also agreed that the Authority shall procure that the instructions hereunder are issued by the concerned Government - Instrumentality within a reasonable period so as to enable the Concessionaire to continue its Construction Works with such modifications as may be deemed necessary.

10.9 Land for wayside amenities

- 10.9.1 The additional land earmarked for this purpose in Schedule-A shall be utilized by the Concessionaire for provision of wayside amenities which may include public toilets, rest areas, cafeteria, motels, medical facilities and other facilities or amenities for Users of the Project Highway.
- 10.9.2 The Concessionaire may procure additional land at its own cost and expense for construction and operation of additional facilities and the Authority shall have no obligation or liability in respect thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that any land acquired by the Concessionaire under this Clause shall be retained by it after the Transfer Date and the Authority shall have no right or lien on such land at any time during or after the Concession Period. The Parties further agree that the Concessionaire shall seek prior consent of the Authority to connect any Additional Facility to the Project and such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

